



## **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **November 8, 2004 Special Town Meeting**

This report includes recommendations for most of the articles the Finance Committee believes to be of particular financial interest to the Town. We will provide recommendations for the rest of these, and for several articles of lesser or no financial significance, in a supplement to this report. The Committee members do not feel well enough informed now (October 18) to offer opinions on some articles.

Amherst will receive \$817,054 in additional state aid that was included in a supplemental appropriation made by the state this fall. Some of the articles on the warrant for this Special Town Meeting could affect the disposition of the new aid. There are four fundamental approaches to handling all or part of the money. They are: 1) Appropriate the money and spend it on operating or capital expenses. 2) Add the money to the Town's savings by appropriating it to the Stabilization Fund. 3) Use the money to reduce the tax rate of fiscal year 2005. This requires no action by Town Meeting. The additional aid can simply be included as revenue when the tax rate is set. Some of the money can be used for targeted tax relief if Town Meeting approves Articles 8 and 9. Again, no appropriation is necessary. 4) The money can be added to the Town's savings at the close of FY 2005 simply by doing nothing. It would be treated as excess revenue and become Free Cash. NOTE: At this Town Meeting, members can act concerning the new aid only within the confines of the articles of the warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Reports of Boards and Committees  
(Select Board)

**NO RECOMMENDATION.**

---

ARTICLE 2. Town Meeting Coordinating Committee: Procedures, Rules and Regulations  
(Town Meeting Coordinating Committee)

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 3. Feasibility Committee  
(Select Board)

To see if the town will establish a Feasibility Committee of 7 citizens of diverse backgrounds, to be appointed by the Select Board, to develop an environmentally-safe plan to locate the Department of Public Works, the town's transfer station or new athletic fields at the Old Sanitary Landfill or other locations in Amherst. Said committee shall coordinate its activities with other existing town committees

and departments that may have interests and responsibilities with regard to the proposed sites and report its preliminary findings and recommendations to the 2005 Annual Town Meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 4. Petition - Old Sanitary Landfill Feasibility Committee  
(Fetterman)

To see if the town will establish an Old Sanitary Landfill Feasibility Committee of 7 citizens of diverse backgrounds, to be appointed by the Select Board, to develop an environmentally-safe plan to locate the Department of Public Works, the town's transfer station and new athletic fields on certain portions of the Old Sanitary Landfill on the south side of Route 9 in East Amherst. Said committee shall coordinate its activities with other existing town committees and departments that may have interests and responsibilities with regard to the proposed site and report its preliminary findings and recommendations to the 2005 Annual Town Meeting.

**NO RECOMMENDATION.**

---

ARTICLE 5. Proclamation - Amherst Convention on Human Rights And Duties  
(Human Rights Commission)

**NO RECOMMENDATION.**

---

ARTICLE 6. Amendment to Station Road Lease Agreement  
(Conservation Commission)

To see if the Town will authorize the Conservation Commission to amend the Lease Agreement between the Town of Amherst and Mares in Charge, Ltd, dated January 31, 2000, to add to said agreement an additional parcel of land, containing 9,869 square feet, more or less, which is shown as the "Police Barn Parcel Area" on a plan of land dated November 23, 1999, and recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 186, Page 126, and to take any other action necessary to carry out such amendment.

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 7. Transfer of Funds – Unpaid Bills  
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 64, appropriate and transfer a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of previous years.

**RECOMMENDED.** The elementary schools have \$210.38 in unpaid bills for staff travel reimbursements in fiscal year 2004. The Finance Committee voted 4-0, with three members absent, to recommend approval of this article.

## ARTICLE 8. Optional Tax Exemptions

(Select Board)

A. To see if the Town will adjust the property tax exemption allowed to certain senior citizens and surviving spouses and minors under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 17D by any percentage up to the annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) determined by the Massachusetts Commissioner of Revenue.

B. To see if the Town will adjust the income and asset limits certain senior citizens may have to qualify for an exemption under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41C by any percentage up to the annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) determined by the Massachusetts Commissioner of Revenue.

C. To see if the Town will adjust the property tax exemption allowed to certain senior citizens under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41C from \$600 to \$1,000.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 3-2, with two members absent, to recommend approval of this action. The purpose is to provide targeted property tax relief to qualifying taxpayers (elderly, surviving spouses, minors). Adoption of the local option outlined in Part A increases the base exemption amount of \$175 granted to senior citizens and surviving spouses and minors under Clause 17D annually by a cost of living adjustment. The COLA for FY 05 exemption purposes is 3.8%, which would increase the base exemption from \$175 to \$181.65. Adoption of the local option outlined in Part B would apply the same COLA to annual adjustments to income and asset limits seniors may have to qualify for an exemption under Clause 41C. Adoption of the local option outlined in Part C increases the base exemption amount from \$600 to \$1,000 granted to senior citizens qualifying under Clause 41C. Currently, 42 taxpayers qualify for this exemption. An increase of \$50,000 to the assessors' overlay reserve for abatements and exemptions would be necessary to fund increased tax exemptions under this article. No appropriation is necessary. This action would use part of the \$817,000 in new state aid recently provided to Amherst. The motion voted by the Committee included recommendations to appropriate \$185,000 for possible cost-of-living salary adjustments for Town and Library employees and to use the remaining \$582,000 to reduce the tax rate. The minority wanted the entire \$817,000 to be used to reduce the tax rate.

---

## ARTICLE 9. Tax Deferral

(Select Board)

To see if the Town will adjust the income and asset limits certain senior citizens may have to qualify for a tax deferral under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 59, Clause 41A from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 3-2, with two members absent, to recommend approval of this action. Unlike an exemption which discharges a tax obligation, Clause 41A permits an elderly taxpayer to delay payment of property taxes which ultimately must be paid to the Town upon the death of the taxpayer or sale of the property. A taxpayer who qualifies may defer payment of all or a portion of the taxes each year at 8% interest. By this statute which is in effect in every city and town in the Commonwealth, an elderly taxpayer can use resources which otherwise would go to pay real estate taxes to defray living expenses. For eligibility, a qualified applicant must enter into a written tax deferral and recovery agreement with the assessors who must cause a lien on the property to be recorded at the Registry of Deeds. The purpose of this article is to increase the amount of qualifying assets an applicant may have. Currently, six taxpayers have tax deferral agreements with the Town. While this local option does not affect the amount of funds

needed to adequately fund the assessors' overlay reserve for abatements and exemptions, the motion for targeted tax relief voted by the Committee also included recommendations to appropriate \$185,000 for possible cost-of-living salary adjustments for Town and Library employees and to use the remaining \$582,000 of additional state aid to reduce the tax rate. The minority wanted the entire \$817,000 of additional state aid to be used to reduce the tax rate.

---

ARTICLE 10. FY 05 Operating Budget Amendment(s)  
(Finance Committee)

To see if the Town will amend the FY 05 Operating Budget to provide for salary adjustments for Town and Library employees and to amend the FY 05 Golf Course Fund budget.

**RECOMMENDED: Appropriation of \$185,000 for possible cost of living salary adjustments for Town and Library employees.** The Finance Committee voted 3-2, with two members absent, to recommend approval of this action. The purpose is to provide funds that may be needed at the conclusion of current contract negotiations. The amount of money is comparable to funds for the same purpose included in FY 2005 Regional and Amherst School budgets. The majority believes some salary increase money will be required, whether this year or next, and that the Town will not save any money by waiting. This appropriation would use part of the \$817,000 in new state aid recently provided to Amherst. The motion voted by the Committee included recommendations to provide \$50,000 for the increased tax exemptions and deferrals in Articles 8 and 9 and to use the remaining \$582,000 to reduce the tax rate. The minority wanted the entire \$817,000 to be used to reduce the tax rate.

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED on whether to amend the FY 05 Golf Course Fund budget.**

---

ARTICLE 11. Special Services - Amherst Community Television/Cable Advisory Committee  
(Select Board; Cable Advisory Committee)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,000 for Amherst Community Television or for expenses of the Cable Advisory Committee.

**NO RECOMMENDATION.** The Finance Committee voted 4-1, with one abstaining and two absent, to make no recommendation on this article. The article would clarify to whom (ACTV or the Cable Advisory Committee), for what purposes, and when a fee of 50 cents per subscriber collected by the cable contractor should be distributed. The majority of the Finance Committee thinks the questions require technically correct answers from people competent to provide them, and that the Committee is not qualified to do so. The member voting against the motion to make no recommendation preferred to find out the answers and then make a recommendation.

---

ARTICLE 12. Special Services – Transportation Subsidies  
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will endorse the following public transit measures:

A) restore afternoon/evening bus service to the Orchard Valley/West Street, Echo Hill/Gatehouse Road and Cushman/Mill Hollow areas, and restore limited bus service to the Elf Hill/Bay Road area;

B) eliminate fares on all Town-supported routes;

and approve the levying of an assessment by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the Town's proportionate share of the cost of such services.

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 13. Capital Program – Libraries’ Information Technology  
(Joint Capital Planning Committee)

To see if the Town will appropriate \$50,000 for information technology upgrades for the libraries and to meet such appropriation raise \$15,000 from taxation and appropriate and transfer \$35,000 from the Stabilization Fund.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 4-0, with three absent, to recommend appropriating \$50,000 for improvements to the information technology systems at the Jones, Munson and North Amherst Libraries. Currently, each library has its own, separate system. Some of the equipment and software is obsolete to the point that manufacturers will no longer support it. The equipment must be updated in order for the libraries to continue participating in the state’s CWMARS network. The project will integrate library technology into the Town’s fiber optic system, providing full compatibility. The result will be a service far more useful to library staff and clients and one that can be maintained efficiently by the Town’s IT Department. The Town’s existing capital plan includes at least \$20,000 per year through FY 2008 for library information technology. Unless improvements are made, this money will have to be spent to keep old equipment going. With the improvements, money will still have to be spent on maintenance, software relicensing and other normal continuing expenses. The annual expenses will not be quite as high, the service will be improved, and maintenance will be significantly more efficient. This is a project that needs to be done all at once; it is not amenable to being divided into smaller parts and spread out over time. The recommended funding consists of \$15,000 taken from a total of \$45,000 in available FY 2005 capital plan money and an additional \$35,000 to be appropriated from the Stabilization Fund. Appropriations from the Stabilization Fund require a 2/3 vote. The Finance Committee’s recommendation is based on the expectation that the FY 2006 allocation for capital funds will be reduced by \$35,000 to make up for what is being “borrowed” this year for the library computer project.

---

ARTICLE 14. Capital Program - Petition – Larkspur Drive  
(Streeter)

To see if the Town will vote to:

- 1) discontinue Larkspur Drive for approximately 50 feet at the most northerly boundary of the residential area abutting the Professional Research Park (PRP) zone in the vicinity of residences at 54 & 59 Larkspur Drive;
- 2) request that the Select Board and Public Works Department design and construct a cul-de-sac or dead end with turn around on the north of the still existing portion of Larkspur Drive; and
- 3) appropriate \$30,000 to do the necessary work to dead end Larkspur Drive with a narrow gated access into Amherst Woods for public safety vehicles. This work would include removal of existing paving (beyond what is needed for a narrow public safety access road) on the portion of Larkspur Drive that is within the PRP, and installation of topsoil, earth berms, signs, and appropriate planting/screening

vegetation, chain or gate for public safety and public works vehicles, the paving of a turnaround, and consultation with the PRP developer and abutters to rename the part of Larkspur Drive that is within the PRP.

**RECOMMEND REFERRAL TO SELECT BOARD.** The Finance Committee voted 7-0 to refer this article to the Select Board. There are issues that need to be considered by several Town committees and departments in order to better understand the consequences of the proposed street closing. Among them are the effects on traffic in the area, adequacy of access for emergency vehicles and what consequences might flow from setting a precedent. The Committee does not recommend appropriating any money unless a more thorough understanding of the situation warrants it. We think the Select Board is the most logical agency to oversee the necessary analyses.

---

ARTICLE 15. Capital Program - Design Work - Atkins Corner Intersection  
(Joint Capital Planning Committee)

To see if the Town will appropriate \$60,000 as the Town's share of funds for the design of intersection improvements for the Atkins Corner intersection and to meet such appropriation, raise \$10,000 from taxation, transfer \$30,000 from the Sewer Fund Surplus, and transfer \$ 20,000 from the Water Fund Surplus.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 4-0, with one abstention and two members absent, to recommend approval of this article. The Village Center Plan for this area established a framework for future development. Congressman John Olver's office has been instrumental in obtaining funding to alter the road system. The Town is responsible for much of the necessary design work. The total cost for this is estimated to be \$90,000, but only \$60,000 is requested now. The \$10,000 from taxation is to design the relocation of utilities underground as required by the Town's plan. (The utilities are overhead now. Utility companies are not required to pay for changing them to below ground.) Another \$30,000 (estimated) will be needed in taxation next year. The Sewer Fund and Water Fund money will be used to determine how to reconfigure the location and size of water and sewer lines so they can accommodate new development that is expected to occur in this Village Center. The Finance Committee thinks it is important to continue progress there, especially because federal and state funds for the project are available. The \$10,000 in taxation would come from available capital plan money of FY 2005.

---

ARTICLE 16. Stabilization Fund  
(Finance Committee)

To see if the Town will appropriate and transfer a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 17. Community Preservation Act Committee Recommendations  
(Housing Partnership/Fair Housing Committee; Community Preservation Act Committee)

To see if the Town will appropriate \$50,000 for pre-development expenses for affordable housing on Olympia Drive and to meet such appropriation transfer \$50,000 from the Community Preservation Fund.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 6-1 to recommend appropriating \$50,000 of Community Preservation Act funds to pay for pre-development work at Town-owned Olympia Drive property so that affordable housing can eventually be built there. Several site plan/feasibility issues must be addressed, including zoning and permitting, building codes, environmental concerns and conservation regulations. Schematic plans are needed for utilities and roads. The majority of the Finance Committee thinks the money should be provided now, in order to maintain progress on the project. The vote in opposition was not because the member opposed the project. It was to put off consideration until next spring's Annual Town Meeting when this appropriation can be evaluated in the context of overall capital and CPAC spending.

---

ARTICLE 18. Capital Program - Heavy Rescue Truck  
(Joint Capital Planning Committee)

To see if the Town will appropriate, in addition to the \$140,000 appropriated under Article 33 of the 2003 Annual Town Meeting, \$110,000 for a Heavy Rescue Truck and to meet such appropriation transfer \$110,000 from Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 7-0 to recommend approval of this article. Purchase of the heavy rescue truck has been delayed and only partly funded because finding enough money in the Town's capital plan has been difficult. The \$110,000 still needed was not requested at the last Annual Town Meeting because of concern that Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation might not be sufficient to pay for the truck and also continue supporting the Fire/EMS operating budget at the intended level. It is now apparent that Ambulance Receipts are sufficient. That is also an appropriate source of funds because use of the truck will assist the Town's ambulance service. A problem possibly coming up is debt service for a new fire station. Ambulance Receipts would contribute to the debt payments, which would cause some stress on this source of funds. However, use of \$110,000 for the heavy rescue truck will not have a material effect on funding the station.

---

ARTICLE 19. Capital Program – Petition - Town Center Improvements  
(Bobrowski)

“To see if the Town will appropriate \$1,200,000 for Town Center roadway, sidewalk and lighting improvements and to meet such appropriation authorize the Treasurer to borrow in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(5) and other applicable laws.”

**RECOMMENDED: Appropriating and authorizing the Treasurer to borrow \$700,000 under this article.** The Finance Committee voted 5-0, with two members absent, to recommend approval of this article at the level of \$700,000. We recommend this reduction from the \$1,200,000 stated in the article for two reasons: 1) A revised sidewalk design and new cost estimate lowered the full project price by \$250,000. 2) This new appropriation can be combined with the \$250,000 provided by last spring's Annual Town Meeting in a single, 10-year borrowing.

We believe it is important for the Town to commit to a substantial downtown sidewalk improvement project in order to make significant progress toward improving downtown accessibility. This is a disability access issue.

The plan approved last year authorized borrowing to pay for a relatively small area of sidewalk improvements. The expectation was that money to begin the project would be borrowed for five

years and that there would be additional, annual appropriations of about \$100,000 over several years to improve more sections. One consequence of this plan would be considerable stress on capital plan funding for the first few years while debt service and annual appropriations would both have to be covered.

The Finance Committee is convinced that funding a large part of downtown improvements from the beginning offers significant advantages: This entire phase of downtown improvements could be completed in three years instead of the six years needed under the existing funding arrangement. A shorter construction period means less disruption for downtown businesses and the people who use them. Full funding at the outset assures continuing construction progress unhindered by the uncertainty caused by dependence on annual appropriations. Assured funding permits efficiency and price benefits in purchasing materials. Assured funding allows for much more efficient management of staff. Instead of hiring people for short terms, new staff can be offered longer-term, year-around employment. Given that some retirements are expected in the Public Works Department in the next few years, this presents an opportunity to evaluate potential new long-term employees. In addition, less time would be needed for training. The capital plan can accommodate the proposed 10-year debt far more easily, because the early year payments are smaller. It is true that the larger borrowing means more money has to be spent on interest payments. Under current assumptions, the 10-year plan would cost about \$167,000 more in interest than the 5-year plan. It is also true that the value of that money decreases over the years of debt payment to the point that the real difference in cost is virtually nonexistent. The very low interest rates still available contribute significantly to this circumstance.

---

ARTICLE 20. Crosswalk on Amity Street  
(Library Trustees)

To see if the Town will support a crosswalk study on Amity Street connecting the Jones Library and the public parking lot, to be designed in accordance with the Town Center Streetscape Plan.

**NO RECOMMENDATION.**

---

ARTICLE 21. Street Acceptance – Poet’s Corner  
(Oasis Development Enterprises, Inc.)

To see if the Town will accept as a town way Poet’s Corner as laid out by the Select Board and shown on a plan of land filed with the Town Clerk and authorize the Select Board to take by eminent domain, purchase or otherwise any fee, appurtenant rights, easements or other interest in land therefor, no appropriation being required.

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 22. Street Acceptances – Morrow Lane  
(Holstein)

To see if the Town will accept as a town way Morrow Lane as laid out by the Select Board and shown on a plan of land filed with the Town Clerk and authorize the Select Board to take by eminent domain, purchase or otherwise any fee, appurtenant rights, easements or other interest in land therefor, no appropriation being required.



## **RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED**

---

ARTICLE 23. Street Acceptances – Tanglewood Road, White Pine Road, Summerfield Road  
(Amherst Village, Inc.)

To see if the Town will accept as town ways Tanglewood Road, White Pine Road and Summerfield Road as laid out by the Select Board and shown on plans of land filed with the Town Clerk and authorize the Select Board to take by eminent domain, purchase or otherwise any fee, appurtenant rights, easements or other interest in land therefor, no appropriation being required.

## **RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED**

---

ARTICLE 24. Street Acceptances – Kestrel Lane, Hop Brook Road  
(Tofino Associates, Inc.)

To see if the Town will accept as town ways Kestrel Lane and Hop Brook Road as laid out by the Select Board and shown on plans of land filed with the Town Clerk and authorize the Select Board to take by eminent domain, purchase or otherwise any fee, appurtenant rights, easements or other interest in land therefor, no appropriation being required.

## **RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 25. Temporary Construction Easements - Meadow Street Bridge  
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to accept temporary construction easements for the Meadow Street Bridge replacement project, no appropriation being required.

**NO RECOMMENDATION.** The Committee made no recommendation because there is to be no expense to the Town.

---

ARTICLE 26. Zoning Bylaws – Upland Acreage Numbering  
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will amend Article 12, Definitions, by changing the section number assigned to “Upland Acreage” from 12.35 (a number erroneously assigned this definition under Article 33, 2004 Annual Town Meeting) to 12.36.

## **RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED**

---

ARTICLE 27. Zoning Bylaws – Phased Growth Extension  
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will amend Section 14.2, Phased Growth Rate, of the Zoning Bylaw by deleting the ~~lined-out~~ language and adding the language in ***bold italics***, as follows:

14.20 This Article shall take effect beginning on the date of adoption by Town Meeting, *and shall continue in effect for five calendar years from November 8, 2004, a subsequent date of amendment, in order to provide the Town time to prepare and implement a master plan in accordance with MGL Ch. 41, Section 81D.* Beginning on ~~this~~ *the* date of adoption, the permit authority (Planning Board, Zoning Board or Building Commissioner) shall not approve any development schedule under Section 14.5 which would result in authorizations for more than 250 dwelling units over a 730 consecutive day (two year) period. All authorizations shall count toward this planned rate unless otherwise noted.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 5-0, with two members absent, to recommend approval of this article. The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court recently invalidated a section of the Hadley zoning bylaw that restricted the rate of growth of new housing. The logic of the Court's decision applies as well to Amherst's phased growth regulations. In order to meet the test for constitutionality laid out by the Court, Amherst needs to state a termination date for its phased growth regulation, relate its interim controls to a planning process leading toward a master plan, and begin to implement that planning process. The bylaw changes in this article are intended to head the Town toward compliance. The Committee thinks these revisions are essential to the continuing, orderly development of the Town.

---

ARTICLE 28. Capital Program – Master Plan

(Comprehensive Planning Committee, Joint Capital Planning Committee)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$20,000 to develop a public participation process, a comprehensive Scope of Services, a Request for Proposals, and cost estimates for the completion of a Master Plan as required under Massachusetts General Laws 41, Section 81D.

**RECOMMENDED.** The Finance Committee voted 5-0, with two members absent, to recommend approval of this article. Funding for this article would come from uncommitted FY 2005 capital plan funds. This article is directly related to Article 27. The funds provided here are needed to demonstrate that the Town is indeed working toward a master plan. More money will be needed to carry out the master planning process.

---

ARTICLE 29. Zoning Bylaws – Open Space Community Development Preliminary Approval

(Planning Board)

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 30. Zoning Bylaws – Professional and Research Park (PRP) Office Uses

(Planning Board)

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

ARTICLE 31. Petition – Zoning Map - Northampton Road/South Univ. Drive - PRP to R-N  
(Wziontko )

To see if the Town will amend the Official Zoning Map by rezoning Map 13D, Parcels 19 and 57 from Professional Research Park (PRP) to Limited Business (B-L)

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 32. Petition – Zoning Map – University Drive/Snell Street - PRP to R-N  
(Citizens for Responsible Planning)

“To see if the town will vote amend the official Zoning Map by rezoning Map 13D Parcels 19, 21, 22, 57, 76, 77, 78, and 80 and Map 16B Parcel 3 from Professional Research Park (PRP) to Neighborhood Residence (R-N).”

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 33. Restrictive Covenant Acceptance - North Pleasant/McClellan St.  
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to accept a restrictive covenant in relation to the rezoning of the property at 284 North Pleasant Street (Map 11C/Parcel 174).

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

ARTICLE 34. Petition – Zoning Map – North Pleasant Street  
(Ewert)

To see if the Town will amend the Official Zoning Map to change the zoning for the property at 284 North Pleasant Street (Map 11C/Parcel 174) from General Residence (R-G) to Limited Business (B-L).

**RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED.**

---

**Finance Committee Members:**

We invite your questions and views about Town money matters.

Marilyn Blaustein	253-5963
Carlton Brose	256-8425
Alice Carlozzi, Chair	549-1236
Michael Mascis	253-9165
Matthieu Massengill	259-2980
Brian Morton, Vice Chair	549-4161
Kay Moran	549-5767